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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 18423

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: UR, XF, PLO
SUBJECT: FATAH DELEGATION IN MOSCOW
REF: (A) MOSCOW 18169 (NOTAL), (B) HAVANA 2239 (NOTAL)

1. AUG. 4 PRAVDA CARRIES BRIEF ACCOUNT OF PRESS
CONFERENCE HELD AT SOVIET COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY
WITH COUNTRIES OF ASIA AND AFRICA BY VISITING
FATAH DELEGATION (REF A). PRESS ACCOUNT IS
UNINFORMATIVE, DOES NOT LIST ANY MEMBERS OF FATAH
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DEL AND SIMPLY REPEATS STANDARD PALESTINIAN BROMIDES
CONDEMNING EGYPTIAN "CAPITULATIONIST" POLICY,
IMPERIALIST INTRIGUES, ETC.

2. ARAB SOURCES HERE REPORT LITTLE CONTACT WITH THIS
DEL AND, IN GENERAL, DOWNPLAY ITS SIGNIFICANCE.
THESE SOURCES HAVE TOLD US, HOWEVER, THAT IN

ADDITION TO THE DEL LEADER, ABU IYAD, OTHER MEMBERS
INCLUDE ABU SALIH AND ABU MAZIN, BOTH RATHER IMPORTANT
MEN IN FATAH OPERATIONS. THE WEEK-LONG PRESENCE IN
MOSCOW OF AN EXCLUSIVELY FATAH DELEGATION - PARTICULARLY
ONE OF THIS CALIBER - AT A TIME OF VIOLENCE AND
COUNTER-VIOLENCE ON THE PART OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
PALESTINIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND OF CERTAIN ARAB STATES
IS SURELY NOT COINCIDENTAL AND NOT WITHOUT SIGNIFI-
CANCE. BUT WE DO NOT POSSESS THE HARD INFORMATION
NECESSARY TO SUBSTANTIATE OUR BELIEF.

3. ARAFAT HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED IN MOSCOW SINCE
HIS DEPARTURE FROM HAVANA AND OUR ARAB SOURCES
TELL US THEY HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WOULD RETURN
TO BEIRUT AFTER LEAVING HAVANA (REF B). TOON

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